

SENATOR LAMB: Thirty seconds, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If Senator Beutler pushes on this amendment and if he would deal on every subject as he has dealt with this one, then he would be giving a distorted picture of every issue that he would undertake. I think the Attorney General makes more than the Governor and yet Senator Beutler is even distressed about the way he has not properly handled the bid rig cases but he hasn't said, cut the number of lawyers, cut the budget or anything else.

SENATOR LAMB: Your time is up, Senator. Senator VonMinden.

SENATOR VONMINDEN: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I am certainly not going to rant and rave on the emotional side of this issue. I am more or less just want to commend Senator Beutler for bringing this up. I believe every agency should be checked out closely. If his figures is right I think it legitimate to perhaps cut this man \$5,000.00 in his salary and the out of state travel I think is unnecessary. I just want to say that I support the amendment and think it is a very good one.

SENATOR LAMB: At this point we would like to introduce some guests from Senator Eret's district in the North balcony, 15 seniors from the Davenport community school and Mr. Scott Shelburne is the teacher. Would you welcome these students, please. Please stand and be recognized. The Chair recognizes Senator Pirsch.

SENATOR PIRSCH: I think enough has been said and I will call the question.

SENATOR LAMB: I believe that will not be necessary. The only other light on is Senator Beutler and this would then give him an opportunity to close.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, first of all, let me emphasize that this is not racist or this is not sexist on my part. I don't believe in doing away with that commission. I happen to be a supporter of the commission. I have had LB 424 this year which broadens the powers of the commission. As far as agency heads are concerned I don't look over anybody's shoulder because they are black but I don't avoid looking over anybody's shoulder because they are black. I look over people's shoulders when constituents come to me and ask me to take a look at something and I have done that with this agency. I have done it with the State Auditor. You know the last important bill that we reviewed of mine on the floor of this Legislature was a very intense investigation of the State Auditor's